

Alex Gursky Promoted to Army Major

Coinciding with his promotion to major, Alex P. Gursky has been assigned as assistant for administration and services at Joliet Arsenal.

He succeeds Maj. L. F. Burton, who has been transferred to the Indiana Arsenal.

Prior to his promotion, Maj. Gursky was assigned as intelligence officer and adjutant at the Joliet Arsenal.

His military service began in August, 1940, when he enlisted in the regular army.

While serving in France, Gursky was given a direct commission as second lieutenant. Four months later his promotion to first lieutenant became effective. When he returned to the United States, in December, 1945, he was first assigned to the Umatilla Ordnance Depot in Oregon and then to the Sioux Ordnance Depot in Nebraska.

In June, 1948, Maj. and Mrs. Gursky sailed for Germany where he served as ordnance officer at the Butzbach Ordnance depot. He was transferred to Joliet Arsenal early in 1952.

Asked about the best assignment in his career, Maj. Gursky said it was when, as a master sergeant, he was placed on temporary duty in charge of the tank, "Lulu Belle", and other ordnance equipment during the filming of the picture "Sahara", which starred Humphrey Bogart.